IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: David J. Seagle Art Unit: 2627

Serial No.: 10/816,294 Examiner: Tianjie Chen

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SENSOR WITH REDUCED EFFECTIVE

SHIELD-TO-SHIELD SPACING

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Examiner:

The examiner's reasons for allowance were authored unilaterally by the examiner and may be over inclusive or under inclusive. As such, they should not be considered as an admission by the applicant. Different or other reasons for allowance may be apparent from the record in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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